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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3403rd meeting of the Security Council, held on 12 July 1994, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The question concerning Haiti", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council condemns the decision of the illegal de facto regime and the military leadership in Haiti to expel from the country the joint United Nations/Organization of American States International Civilian Mission (MICIVIH), whose work has the highest approbation of the Council and whose mandate was extended by the United Nations General Assembly on 8 July 1994 (A/RES/48/27 B).

"The Security Council considers this action a serious escalation in the defiant stance of Haiti's illegal de facto regime towards the international community.

"The Security Council condemns this attempt by the illegal de facto regime and the military authorities to avoid appropriate international scrutiny at a time of increasing indiscriminate violence against the civilian population in Haiti.

"The Security Council rejects this attempt by the illegal de facto regime and the military authorities to defy the will of the international community. This provocative behaviour directly affects the peace and security of the region.

"The Security Council continues to hold the military authorities and the illegal de facto regime individually and collectively responsible for the safety and security of the international presence in Haiti.

"The Security Council stresses that this latest action by the Haitian military and the illegal de facto regime further reinforces the continued determination of the Security Council to bring about a rapid and definitive solution to this crisis.

"The Security Council will remain actively seized of the matter."

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